

# Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

## SEVERE WEATHER/FLOODING

### SITUATION REPORT # 8

1430 Hours 5 July 2006

*New Information in Bold Italics*

### SUMMARY

The combination of tropical moisture steered northward around a low pressure system near Florida and a stationary frontal boundary across the Mid-Atlantic and New England States led to substantial rainfall and flooding across portions of the Commonwealth beginning 23 June and is continuing. ***The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner has not yet confirmed any storm-related fatalities.***

### EXECUTIVE ACTION

#### **EOC Activation:**

The Virginia Emergency Operations Center is at Response Operations, monitoring weather and river flow reports, assessing totality of the event's impact across the Commonwealth, producing Situation Reports and coordinating response and recovery efforts with local governments. ***State agencies are requested to submit their Damage Assessments to the VEOC by close of business 6 July.***

#### **State of Emergency:**

Governor Timothy M. Kaine declared a Statewide Emergency on June 28, 2006 directing State Agencies to take all necessary actions to aid in the recovery from flooding, mudslides and potential tornadoes that have affected the Commonwealth since June 23, 2006. Governor Kaine requested a Presidential Declaration 30 June for the counties of Alleghany, Arlington, Augusta, Bath, Botetourt, Dickenson, Fairfax, Highland, King George, Montgomery and Rockbridge and the independent cities of Alexandria and Salem.

#### **Protective Actions:**

##### Local Emergency Declarations:

City of Alexandria – 26 June

Botetourt County – 27 June

Alleghany County – 27 June, Rescinded as of 28 June

City of Salem – 27 June

Fairfax County – 27 June

### WEATHER FORECAST

#### **Forecast:**

***Wednesday 5 July - Mostly cloudy and not as hot with high temperatures in the upper 70's to mid 80's. There is a slight risk of severe thunderstorms during the day and evening. Strong thunderstorms that develop will have potential to produce damaging winds and hail as well as very heavy rain. A Flash Flood Watch is in effect through the morning of 6 July for Central and Southeast Virginia. Chance of precipitation is 80%. Overnight lows will range from upper 50's to mid 60's and winds will be West-Southwest 5 to 10 mph.***

***Thursday 6 July - Partly cloudy with 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms in the morning. High temperatures will range from mid 70's to low 80's with low temperatures overnight in the mid 50's to low 60's. Winds will be North 5 to 15 mph.***

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## OPERATIONS SECTION

**State Warning Point:** Receiving Local Situation and Initial Damage Assessment Reports from the localities.

**Local Liaison:** Regional Coordinators contacting localities to coordinate preliminary damage assessment (PDA) team deployment.

## EMERGENCY SERVICES BRANCH

**ESF 9 – Search & Rescue:** *Rockbridge County requested search and rescue assistance on 30 June for a missing boater swept away by high water and strong currents on the James River. VDEM coordinated the response of several SAR teams to include dogs, ground searchers, man-trackers, and management personnel over three days. The search was scaled back to boat and dive team activities on Monday 3 July. On 4 July the boater was located deceased, by personnel from the Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries approximately 500 yards downstream of the point last seen.*

## INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT BRANCH

**ESF 1 – Transportation:** Virginia Department of Transportation: *As of 1300 hours 5 July, VDOT reported 2 Primary roads and 15 secondary roads closed.*

**ESF 12 – Energy:** *Dominion Virginia Power reports 9,668 customers statewide without electricity. The major area affected is Northern Virginia where 9,086 customers are without electricity due to severe storms that impacted the region on 2 July; restoration is in progress.*

*Electric Coops: No significant power outages reported statewide. It was indicated that 78 customers in Northern Virginia are without power and power restoration is in progress.*

## RECOVERY SECTION (ESF 14)

<b>Initial Damage Assessment Reports:</b>	<b>Locality</b>	<b>Private</b>	<b>Public</b>
	Albemarle County	\$25,000	\$175,000
	Alleghany County	N/A	\$46,000
	Arlington County	\$6,000,000	\$6,970,000
	Augusta County	\$500,000	N/A
	Bath County	N/A	\$180,000
	<b>Bedford County</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>
	Botetourt County	\$342,065	\$313,900
	<b>Carroll County</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
	Charlottesville City	\$100,000	N/A
	Craig County	N/A	\$15,000
	Dickenson County	\$25,000	\$168,000
	Fairfax County	\$4,015,485	\$2,920,000
	Floyd County	N/A	\$145,000
	<b>Franklin County</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>
	Fredericksburg City	N/A	\$10,000
	Henry County	N/A	\$222,500
	Herndon, Town of	\$8,000	\$4,000
	Highland County	N/A	\$13,500
	King George County	N/A	\$170,000

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Loudoun County	N/A	\$110,000
Martinsville City	\$77,500	N/A
Montgomery County	\$20,000	N/A
Patrick County	N/A	\$105,000
Pittsylvania County	N/A	\$125,000
Prince William County	\$55,000	\$61,000
<b>Roanoke County</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>\$68,370</b>
Rockbridge County	N/A	\$135,000
Salem City	\$57,000	\$22,055
Vinton, Town of	N/A	\$1,500
Warren County	\$20,000	\$15,000
York County	\$170,200	\$1,000
Total	\$11,415,250	\$12,053,825*

*\*Includes VDOT estimates*

*Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) damages assessed at \$6,094,900. This amount is not eligible for FEMA reimbursement.*

*Private/Non-profits, including Electric Cooperatives, have not reported damage assessments to date.*

*Six joint federal/state/local preliminary damage assessment teams will start in Northern Virginia Wednesday afternoon, 5 July 2006. Two separate teams will deploy to the lower Shenandoah and Roanoke valley areas Thursday and Friday, 6 and 7 July.*

## LOCAL ACTIVITIES:

*Localities continue to assess damages and report losses to the VEOC and prepare for joint PDA activities.*

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